

# Millennium Challenge Corporation

Reducing Poverty Through Growth

## **Independent Engineer, Project Developer, Project Manager, Consultant – Infrastructure Project Development, Assessment, Monitoring, and Evaluation**

The Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) is a new U.S. Government corporation whose mission is to provide assistance that will support economic growth and poverty reduction in carefully selected developing countries that demonstrate a commitment to just and democratic governance, economic freedom, and investments in their citizenry.

MCC will be providing development grants to a number of low-income nations around the world that have satisfied the eligibility criteria for participation in the program. Key MCC operating principles relating to the award of grants include emphasis on high economic impact projects, reward for performance, partnership with recipient countries, and focus on results.

Eligible countries are invited to develop and submit grant proposals to MCC for consideration. Included within the proposal from any given country may be one or more infrastructure projects. To carry out its operational mandate, MCC seeks the services of experienced Independent Engineers, Project Developers, Project Managers and Consultants who are specialists in one or more infrastructure sub-sectors (e.g., transport, energy and electricity, water resources management, irrigation systems, water supply and sanitation, industrial and institutional facility development, housing, information and communication technology).

Consultants will assist MCC in conducting technical due diligence on infrastructure projects submitted for consideration and/or assist client countries in further developing or refining projects proposed for assistance. Once a project has been approved and a funding commitment extended, further assistance may be requested from such Consultants in monitoring project implementation, construction progress, and/or milestones for MCC. Assistance may also be requested post project completion to periodically review and evaluate project sustainability, performance and impacts. Consultants may also be called upon to manage or integrate multiple inter-related work streams on a project.

However, Consultants would be precluded from bidding on work and services (e.g., design, full Environmental and Social Impact Assessment, project management and construction supervision) to be procured by the local Millennium Challenge Account (MCA) accountable entity or using funds advanced under a Compact in the relevant country.

Ideal candidates will have the educational background, professional experience (and licenses or professional registration, where appropriate) in one or more infrastructure sub-sectors, experience working in developing countries, and excellent oral and written communication skills. The persons selected must be skilled in performing project

analysis and appraisal, with an ability to identify the essential risks and issues (including environmental and social) of concern to a funding entity. Moreover, the persons selected must have the ability to identify implementation risks and appropriate mitigation measures. Consultants must be prepared to work as part of multi-disciplinary project teams. Consultants must have the ability to brief high-level U.S. and foreign government officials on critical technical matters. Consultants would also be expected to coordinate with local authorities responsible for MCC Compact development as well as other donors, where relevant.

Travel to foreign countries will likely be required; thus, international experience, especially in developing countries, is highly desirable, as are language skills (most relevant working languages currently are French, Portuguese, and Spanish and, to a lesser extent, Russian and Arabic). Consultants may be requested to mobilize on short notice and will be expected to deliver high quality finished products in a timely manner.

This announcement is restricted to U.S. citizens. Persons will be selected by MCC and contracted as Personal Service Contractors. Individual assignments could range from a few days to a few months in duration. Compensation will be based on experience. The MCC will select multiple sources to provide Independent Engineering, Project Development, Project Management and Consulting services. There will be no commitment to a minimum or maximum amount of work after the award of a contract.

Interested parties should submit by email to [recruitment@mcc.gov](mailto:recruitment@mcc.gov) the following package: a resume/capability statement and a brief cover letter addressing the qualifications listed herein and, 1) describing areas of expertise, 2) indicating the specific sector(s) and discipline(s) of expertise and the geographic region(s) of experience, 3) containing three professional references, and 4) proposing consultancy rates on an hourly basis to include salary history during the past 3 years. Please include "MSA-IE" in the subject line of the email and indicate the publication wherein you saw the advertisement. This announcement is open through September 30, 2006. The MCC is an equal opportunity employer.